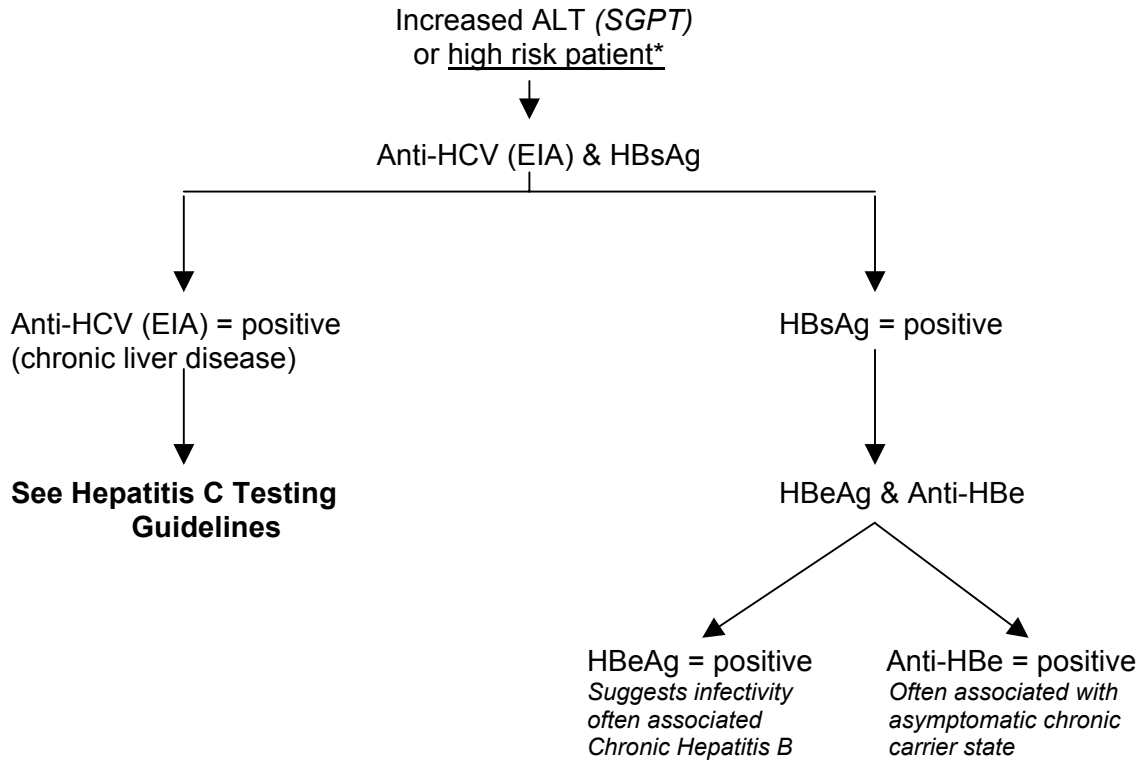


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The individual clinician is in the best position to determine which tests are most appropriate for a particular patient.



*High risk patient definition

1. Injection drug use
2. Nosocomial, occupational, or perinatal exposure
3. Select medical conditions (e.g., elevated ALT, dialysis, hemophilia)
4. Birth in endemic nation (*applies to Hepatitis B only*)
5. High risk sexual or STD history (*applies to Hepatitis B only*)
6. Blood products/organ transplants before 1992 (*applies to Hepatitis C only*)

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